

REMARKSRejection of Claims 1, 2, 4-14, 16-19 and 21-23 under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting

Claims 1, 2, 4-14, 16-19 and 21-23 are rejected under the judicially-created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-4 of U.S. Patent No. 6,277,969 for reasons of record.

A Terminal Disclaimer is enclosed herewith, with appropriate fee, in which the owners of 100 percent interest in the instant application, Centocor, Inc. and New York University Medical Center, disclaim the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on Claims 1, 2, 4-14, 16-19 and 21-23 in the instant application beyond the expiration date of prior Patent No. 6,277,969.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (978) 341-0036.

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